GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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PG COURSES IN MEDICAL COLLEGES
NANDIPAKU VENKATASWAMY

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of PG courses both recognized and unrecognized in various medical colleges in the country as on March 31, 2003, State-wise;

(b) the number of inspections conducted in regard to recognition of PG Courses by MCI, college-wise and State-wise, during the last three years;

(c) the number of PG Courses in respect of which the medical colleges having rectified the deficiencies as pointed out by the inspection teams of MCI and fulfilled all the criteria are awaiting final recognition orders from MCI particularly with reference to AP; and

(d) the reasons for inordinate delay in giving recognition to PG Courses despite colleges fulfilling all requirements?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a): The postgraduate medical courses recognised by the Central Government from time to time under section 11(2) of the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 are added to the Schedule to the Act by a notification in the Official Gazette.Besides in the said Schedule, the particulars of the recognised medical qualifications College and State-wise are also available in the website of the Ministry www.mohfw.nic.in/Department of Health/Medical Education&Training.

There are a number of courses run by various Institutions in the country which have been granted permission to start under 10A of the Act after the coming into force of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 1993.These courses will be granted recognition under section 11(2) of the Act as and when the first batch of students take final year examination subject to fulfillment of the provisions of the Act and on the recommendation of Medical Council of India (MCI).There are also a number of postgraduate courses started by some of the Institutions prior to the commencement of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 1993 with the approval of the respective State Governments and the Universities which are yet to be recognised by Central Government.The MCI do not maintain data on such courses. However, recognition to such courses under section 11(2) of the Act is granted by the Central Government after obtaining the recommendation of MCI as and when the Colleges concerned apply to it through the affiliating University.

(b)to(d): As per information received from the Medical Council of India, in the last three years the Council has conducted 613 inspections for recognition of the postgraduate qualifications in respect of various institutions in India. The Postgraduate Committee of the Council, after considering the inspection reports, pointed out deficiencies in respect of 57 courses of the medical colleges in Andhra Pradesh. Out of the 57 courses, the Council has recommended for grant of recognition to 12 courses after considering the report of rectification of deficiencies received from the authorities concerned. In respect of the remaining 45 courses the authorities concerned are yet to submit the report of rectification of deficiencies to the Council.